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THE LATE SALES.

On June 30th were sold, by Messrs. Bangs, Merwin & Co., 694 lots of coins and medals, nearly half of which were United States, and most of the balance European. With but three or four exceptions, those of the United States series were of little importance. We quote the prices of the principle pieces of the sale:

1798 Dollar; small eagle; 13 stars; remarkably fine,.....	\$11 00
1812 Gold Five Dollar; good,.....	5 87
1652 Oak Tree Shilling; do	2 63
1652 Pine Tree Six Pence; fair,.....	3 25
1796 Castorland Half Dollar; very fine,.....	2 37
Bronze Medal, Chamber of Agriculture of Lower Canada,.....	2 25
1863 Peru, 5 Soles; gold; good.....	4 50
1864 Spain, 100 Reals; gold; fine,.....	4 40
1857 Australia, Sidney Mint, Half Sovereign; gold,	2 75
1863 Australia, Sidney Mint, Sovereign; gold,.....	5 50
1828 Hanover, 5 Thaler; Geo. IV. of England; gold	3 00
1872 Baden, 20 Marks, Frederick; gold.....	4 00
1867 Prussia, 1 Krone. William II.; gold,...	6 25
1867 Belgium, 20 Franc. Leopold II.; gold,	4 25
1866 France, 10 Francs. Napoleon III.; gold,	2 25
1865 do 20 do do III.; do	4 25
1812 Italy, 40 Lire. Napoleon; gold,	7 62
1869 do 20 do Victor Emanuel; gold,...	3 75
Large oval gold piece of Japan; good,.....	5 75
Bronze Medal of Charles IX. (of France), fine,	4 00
do do Catherine de Medecis; do	3 00
Louis Philippe. Proof set in silver of five, two, one, half and quarter franc pieces; for set,...	5 50
1786 Crown. Louis XVI. 2 L's linked; proof, but tarnished,.....	3 00
"L'an 5 de La Liberte." Crown,.....	2 00
1830 5 Francs. Charles X.,.....	2 00
L'an 10 Five Francs. "Gaule Subalpine" good	2 50

Victoria Crown (Gothic), 1847; tarnished,.....	\$5 50
Gold Medal. American Institute; New York,	12 00
Washington Funeral Medal; pierced; silver,..	4 00
Louis XVIII. 20 Francs; good; gold,.....	4 75
do Philippe. 20 do do do	4 20
Napoleon III. 20 do fine; do	4 75
Victor Emanuel. 20 Lires; do do	4 30
Holland. 10 Gulden; good,.....	4 20
Canada One Cent. Devins and Bolton Worm Pastilles,	4 00
Barcelona. 5 Pesetas; fine,	2 37
Toronto University Bronze Medal; size 22....	2 12
Louis XIV Handsome Bronze Medal; size 46,	3 00

THE SALE OF JULY 12th,

By Messrs. Thomas Birch & Son, consisted of 499 lots of coins and medals. Among the United States pieces was a fine proof 1852 half-cent, which sold at the remarkably low figure of \$3.25. Dr. Dickeson's valuable work (now out of print) on United States and Colonial coins, sold for \$9.00. The principle coins and medals sold as follows:

1793 Cent; Amer.; date rather weak, but "Liberty" and head very distinct; rev. is very good indeed,.....	\$16 00
1799 Cent; all plain but a good deal worn,....	6 00
Set of Cents from 1793 to 1857, excepting the 1809; the 1793 and 1804 doubtful, but may be genuine; early dates mostly poor; late dates fair; 75 pieces,	9 50
1856 Nickel Cent; good,.....	2 00
Medal. Maj. Gen. Meade; dies by Paquet; proof; size 51,.....	5 00
Bronze Medal. Thiers; presented by citizens of Philadelphia; size 40; fine,.....	2 00
Bronze Medal. Washington before Boston; size 43; fine,.....	2 50
1849 Massachusetts & California Company; Five Dollars; obv., coat of arms; brass,....	3 00

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PRICE.

1853 Cent; nickel composition; good,	5 00
1868 Ten-cent piece; size of old copper cent; the obverse is an exact imitation of the old copper; nickel; fine,	7 50
1865 Trial set of the pattern gold pieces; copper; "In God We Trust"; \$20, \$10, \$5, \$3, 2 50 and \$1; all fine; for set,	5 60
1795 Dollar; flowing hair; hair slightly rubbed; fine dollar, with sharp star,.....	3 62
1797 Dollar; 6 stars facing, very good indeed,..	2 50
1798 do small eagle; 15 stars; good,.....	9 25
1798 Dollar; small eagle; 13 stars; good,.....	\$3 75
1799 " usual type; very fine,.....	2 25
1801 " fine,.....	5 50
1804 " altered, but very well done,.....	3 12
1848 " barely circulated,.....	2 75
1853 Quarter-dollar; without arrows; good,.....	2 00
1796 Half-dime; good, plugged,	2 25
1793 Cent; wreath; twig at right angles; good,	4 62
1794 Cent; head like the Liberty cap of 1793; fair,.....	3 37
1807 Cent; surface slightly rusted, but a remarkably fine and sharp specimen of this date,	3 75
1811 Cent; slightest possible marks of circulation; dark color, but not corroded; a beautiful and rare cent,.....	9 00
1787 Connecticut Cent; horn protruding from breast; very fine,.....	2 37
1694 Carolina Elephant; by Bolen; silver; uncirculated,.....	5 25
1795 Half-cent; thick planchet; lettered edge; fine,.....	4 60
1791 Washington Large Eagle Cent; very fine,..	4 00

NUMISMA.

Quite a number of Italian coin counterfeiters of different gangs have been arrested lately. Two, Motroni Sebastiano and Augustina Buazzi, have been "inflating" with quarter-eagles of their own manufacture, and were arrested at Oroville, California. Some five-cent nickel counterfeiters have also come to grief.

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Heretofore the publication of our few numismatic journals has been confined to the Eastern States, but this year the enterprise of our Western contemporaries, the *Decorah Numismatic Journal* and the *Coin and Stamp Journal*, seems to show that numismatics, like everything else, has taken the "go west" fever. For a "newsy" sheet, we like the *Coin and Stamp Journal*. As Mr. WINNER is a coin collector, he may be a little partial to the numismatic interest, but the *Journal* is all the more welcome to us for that reason. The *Decorah Journal* is too bashful, we should like to see it oftener than quarterly.

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Double Eagles to the value of \$800,000, have been turned out in a single day, at the San Francisco Mint. This Mint, for the year just closed, has coined \$30,527,000, being the largest amount it has coined for twenty years. The silver amounted to \$4,327,000, more than half of which is intended to take the place of shin-plasters.

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The Centennio-Satirical Washington Medal is the latest hit on the Washington Monument. We Americans will have to take back some of the braggadocio about never doing things by halves, when our foreign visitors, next year, are led to that desolate spot on which stands America's tribute of gratitude (?) to Washington, in the shape of a half-finished monument. We trust the circulation of these medals among American citizens may stir up some feelings of patriotism—enough, perhaps, to start another subscription for the Monument fund.

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BILL ALLEN says that the meaning of the initials S. C. on the old Roman coins is *Soon after Christ*. Bill was "there" and he ought to know.



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At the Ladies' Centennial Tea Party, held in this city on June 23d and 24th, a museum, containing many valuable curiosities, formed one of the attractive features of the entertainment. About six hundred coins and medals were exhibited, from the collections of our local numismatists.

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The Paruvian Government has recently ordered the coinage, in the United States, of two millions of two-cent pieces, and one million of one-cent pieces.

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Secretary Bristow has on hand about \$12,000,000 in silver, with which to commence redeeming the outstanding fractional currency, but the aggregate amount to be taken up is estimated at \$46,000,000. At the present rate of minting it is expected that the treasury will be in a condition to commence the exchange early in the Fall. It will be gratifying to see the handsome American coins take the place of the dirty, ragged fractional currency. Moreover, when the people become accustomed to silver, it will make the step to a general resumption of specie payments much easier than at present.—*Titusville Herald.*

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A Minnesota attorney, having received from one of the Northern States an account to recover, thus replied to his client: "So it is money you want? Money! I have a faint recollection of having seen it when I was a small boy. I believe it was given me by my uncle, on Christmas-day. But it has been so long since I have seen any that I quite forget it. Why, Sir, we live without money. You're behind the times. It is a relic of barbarism—of ages past. A few small pieces can be seen in our Historical Society's collection, where they are exhibited as curiosities."—*Harper's Weekly.*

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A collection of eight hundred and ninety-nine different Chinese coins, ranging from the earliest specimens of "lump" and "knife" money, down to the present dates, was exhibited at the last meeting of the British Numismatic Society. It is the property of one of the British Consuls in China, and will probably be bought for the nation and transferred to the National Museum

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Our floating currency—Mr. Coin, of Bridgeport has entered for a swimming match.—*N. Y. Com. Ad.*

AUGUST CATALOGUE OF COINS AND MEDALS, —For Sale by— GEORGE A. DILLINGHAM, TITUSVILLE, PA.

PRICE.

1793	Cent, Liberty cap, extra good,	\$12.00
1797	do good,	1.00
1800	do " extra good,	1.00
1802	do extra good,	1.25
1803	do " "	1.25
1805	do fair,	.70
1807	do good,	.25
1809	do good, fine date,	1.75
1819	do extra good,	.50
1825	do good,	.35
1828	do "	.35
1829	do very good,	.34
1830	do " "	.50
1832	do " "	.30
1834	do " "	.30
1840	do large date, very good,	.35
1841	do very good,	.70
1842	do " "	.50
1857	do nickel, uncirculated,	.25
1858	do " "	.25
1860	do " "	.25
1861	do " "	.25
1875	Twenty-cent coin, nearly proof,	.40
	Upper Canada Pennies, 1850, '52 and '57 fine, each	.15
	Upper Canada Half Penny, Nova Scotia Head, good	1.00
	Bank of Montreal Half Penny, 1842, fine,	.10
	Geo. II Farthing, Hibernia, fine, 1760,	1.25
"	III Two Penny, Copper, bright, 1797	2.50
"	III Half Penny, fine and bridget, 1799	.50
"	III Farthing, fine, 1825,	.15
	William IV. Half Penny, uncirculated, 1837	.50
"	IV. Penny, fine, 1831,	.25
"	IV. Farthing, uncirculated, 1831,	.30
	Victoria Penny, proof surface, 1853,	.75
"	Penny, fine, 1844,	.15
"	Penny, uncirculated, 1874	.20
"	Half Penny, fine, 1853	.10
"	Half Farthing, good, 1844	.30
"	Model Crown,	.35
"	" Half Farthing	.30
"	" Quarter Farthing	.30
	Bronze Medal, Flaxman, good, size 40,	1.00
1873	Three Cent Silver, proof	1.25
1874	Three Cent Nickel do	.10
1870	Two Cent, uncirculated	.10
1872	" " proof	.35
	Cents, 1862 to 1874, inclusive, uncirculated, each	.10

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ROMAN BRONZE COINS, A. D. PRICE.

Trajan (97), good, 2nd50
Lucillia (147), 2nd	1.00
Julia Mamaea (220) fine, 1st	1.10
Gallienus (253), Alexandria Mint, Copper, very good . . . . .	.50
Diocletian (284), extra good, 3rd . . . . .	.35
Constantius I. (305), fine, 2nd . . . . .	.25

FOREIGN SILVER.

Charles II. Two Pence, good, 1681 . . . . .	.30
George II. Two Pence, extra good, 1760 . . . . .	.30
" II. Penny, extra good, 1746 . . . . .	.25
" II. Shilling, very fine, 1758 . . . . .	.60
" III. Shilling, uncirculated, 1787 . . . . .	.60
" III. Three Pence, good 1763 . . . . .	.25
William IV. Four Pence, proof, 1831 . . . . .	.25
Russia 15 Kop. uncirculated, 1861 . . . . .	.35
" 5 " proof, 1859 . . . . .	.30
Sigismund III. (Poland), 6 Groschen, extra good, 1596	1.75
Prussian Thaler, uncirculated, 1862	1.00
John Frederick (Saxony) Crown, good, 1546	2.50
New Granada Dollar, good, 1819	2.00
Chili Dollar (Santiago), fine, 1833	2.00
" Twenty Cent, uncirculated . . . . .	.50
" Two Real, fine, 1847 . . . . .	.50
Peru, Sol, Half and Fifth, quite uncirculated, '64 '58 and '63 respectively, for set	2.75

FINE MEDALS.

Huskisson, bronze, 40	1.00
Alexander Herzen, bronze, 32	1.00
Independence Hall, rev. Bell W. M. 24 . . . . .	.25
Centennial Art Gallery, W. M. 27 . . . . .	.50
Centennial. Genii of American Independence and Liberty, bronze, 36	2.00
Charles I., bronze, 32	1.00
Republic of France, '92, bronze, 32	1.25
George III., Coronation Medal, bronze, 2250
Queen Anne, bronze, 26	1.25



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